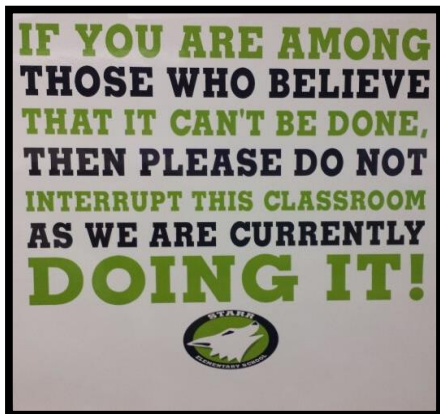


Data Drives Action

Starr Elementary is Making it Happen!



OUR LOCATION

Richmond Community Schools (RCS) is an urban school system serving 5,100 students in the city of Richmond, population about 36,000.

OUR STUDENTS & FAMILIES

Starr Elementary encourages and supports 350 students: 56% White; 15% Hispanic; 10% Black; 16% Multiracial

90% free meals; 4% reduced

Title I School-wide Programs

OUR TEACHERS

Starr students are served by 14 teachers, 1 full-time interpreter, ½ time EL instructor, 2 special education teachers, 1 interventionist, and 1 instructional coach.

OUR PROMISING PRACTICE

Richmond Community Schools recent adoption of the 8 Step process has supported Starr Elementary in its data goals. Data is examined in a deliberate and meaningful way by using a multi-tiered approach.

- Students maintain and analyze individual data folders (with teacher support).
- Teachers analyze and share data online through Office 0365.
- Administrators and coaches access classroom and NWEA data through online teacher folders.
- The school-wide data wall sustains growth and development, linking all critical data in one location.
- Grade level members meet together weekly to analyze their data using shared dilemma protocols (with a focus on deeper thinking questions).

Revisions to teaching and learning take place (and support growth) as a result of this process.

OUR STEPS

Our focus on data and instruction started with student data folders and classroom level data collection. Intense training and development occurred for students so they would know how to collect data and later how to set goals using their data. RCS provided multiple training sessions in both the use of Office 0365 and NWEA reports for teachers. Building level administrators and coaches built the data wall around academic goals. Data meetings were scheduled and protocols were practiced. 8 Steps training at the district level and sustained support by Central Office personnel have ensured the success of our multi-tiered approach to data analysis.

IN OUR OWN WORDS



"Students are invested in their data...they own it. They are excited by seeing their growth and cannot wait to share it. This has really changed the way we use data in my classroom and in our school." ---Kathy Benner, 3rd Grade Teacher

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